

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 185

By Beavers

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Cassie Rutherford, 2009
Salutatorian of Smith County High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Cassie Rutherford is one such exceptional student who was recently named Salutatorian of the 2009 graduating class at Smith County High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Cassie has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, she has earned an exemplary 3.9 grade point average and has demonstrated outstanding leadership through her involvement in a variety of clubs and organizations; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Rutherford has been active in the Beta Club, French Club, Interact Club, and Health Occupation Students of America; she has also served as Secretary of the Science and Math Club, Vice President of the Spanish Club, and captain of the football cheerleading squad; and

WHEREAS, deeply committed to her community, Cassie dedicated more than thirty-five hours of her time to community service during each year of high school with the Ronald McDonald House and the Rotary Interact Club; and

WHEREAS, her display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her future success; and

WHEREAS, Cassie's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her parents, Rick and Beckie Rutherford, her four siblings, Zach and Jacob Bass and Sarah and Matthew Rutherford, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Rutherford's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor the 2009 Smith County High School Salutatorian, Cassie Rutherford, on her impressive academic achievement and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.